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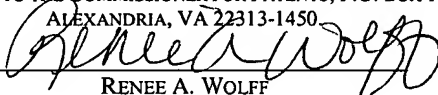
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Applicant:** Richard B. Streeter et al.  
**Serial No.** 10/772,782  
**Filed:** February 5, 2004  
**For:** INTRAVASCULAR FILTER WITH  
DEBRIS ENTRAPMENT  
MECHANISM

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Dear Sir:

This communication is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed November 28, 2007, requiring a restriction of claims within the subject application. Specifically, the Examiner has divided the currently pending claims into Group I, Claims 1-15, drawn to a device for filtering and entrapping debris in a vascular system; and Group II, Claims 16-20, drawn to a method of filtering a vascular system.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute Group I, Claims 1-15, drawn to a device for filtering and entrapping debris in a vascular system. This election is made without traverse.

A listing of all claims is submitted on the following page.